## **IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification by replacing paragraphs as follows:

A. Specification Paragraphs With Mark-ups to Show Changes Made

The following are mark-ups to show changes made to paragraph(s) starting at page 2, line 14 and ending at page 2, line 21:

For recent color cathode-ray tubes, flat panels have been proposed in order to improve visibility. One type of flat panel cathode-ray tube is shown in FIG. 2, with reference to the same reference numbers illustrated in FIG. 1. This flat panel has the outer surface that is also flat and the inner surface having curvature smaller than that of the effective area of the conventional color cathode-ray tube. This requires the shadow mask applied to the color cathode-ray tube having the panel whose effective area is flat to have smaller curvature, resulting in a decrease in curved surface supporting strength of the effective area of the shadow mask. In general, the shadow mask for the color cathode-ray tube is partially deformed when it has a shock above a predetermined strength, deteriorating color purity.

